

# Process Violates WADA Rules

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--WADA Laboratory Internal Chain of Custody

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## World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Rules

“Any forensic corrections that need to be made to the comment should be done with a single line through and the change should be initialed and dated by the individual making the change. No white out or erasure that obliterates the original entry is acceptable.” [1]

WADA labs are also governed by International Organization for Standardization Rules ISO 17025 [2]: “When mistakes occur in records, each mistake shall be crossed out, not erased, made illegible or deleted, and the correct value entered alongside. All such alterations to records shall be signed or initialed by the person making the correction. In the case of records stored electronically, equivalent measures shall be taken to avoid loss or change of original data.”

Ignorance is not an excuse: “All personnel should have thorough knowledge of their responsibilities including the security of the Laboratory, confidentiality of results, Laboratory Internal Chain of Custody protocols, and the standard operating procedures for any method that they perform.” [3]

[1] WADA Laboratory Internal Chain of Custody. TD2003LCOC. (2003).

[2] International Organization for Standardization. 4.12.2.3. (2005).

[3] WADA International Standard for Laboratories. 29, (2004),